## Iowa Highway 44 Corridor Partnership

## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

WHEREAS, the Road Use Tax Fund is an important source of support for construction and maintenance projects at the city, county and state level; and

WHEREAS, an integral part of that R.U.T.F. is the fuel tax, which has not increased since 1989, and during that timeframe construction costs have more than doubled; and

**WHEREAS**, the Iowa Good Roads Association, the Iowa County Supervisor's Association, the Iowa County Engineer's Association and a consortium of additional public and private individuals and organizations, have promoted the TIME-21 program (Transportation Investment Moves the Economy in the  $21^{\rm st}$  Century) to underscore that steady deterioration of the construction dollar; and

WHEREAS, TIME-21 supports the Iowa Department of Transportation's request for an additional \$200 million added to the R.U.T.F. that would be committed to roadway infrastructure and would be generated by increasing transportation-related fees;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa Highway 44 Corridor Partnership recognizes the vital role that our transportation system performs for Iowa and encourages the legislature to consider funding alternatives to increase revenue to the Road Use Tax Fund.

Resolved this 30th day of March, 2007

Curtis Thornberry, Chairman